

**567—68.2(455B) Definitions.** For purposes of this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

“*Cleaning*” means removal of waste from private sewage disposal systems and other actions incidental to that removal.

“*Commercial septic tank cleaner*” means a person or firm engaged in the business of cleaning and disposing of waste from private sewage disposal systems, including a person or firm that owns and rents or leases portable toilets.

“*Department*” means the Iowa department of natural resources.

“*Holding tank for waste*” means any receptacle for the retention or storage of waste pending removal for further treatment or disposal.

“*Private sewage disposal systems*” means a system which provides for the treatment or disposal of domestic sewage from four or fewer dwelling units or the equivalent of fewer than 16 individuals on a continuing basis. “Private sewage disposal systems” includes, but is not limited to, septic tanks as defined in 567—subrule 69.1(2); holding tanks for waste; and impervious vault toilets, portable toilets, and chemical toilets as described in 567—69.15(455B).

“*Septage*” means the liquid and solid material pumped from a septic tank, cesspool, or similar domestic sewage treatment system, or from a holding tank, when the system is cleaned or maintained.

“*Tank*” means any container which is placed on a vehicle to transport waste removed from a private waste facility.

“*Toilet unit*” means a portable or fixed tank or vessel holding untreated human waste without secondary wastewater treatment which is emptied for disposal. “Toilet unit” does not include a portable or fixed tank or vessel holding untreated human waste that is part of a recreational vehicle or marine vessel.

“*Vehicle*” means a device used to transport a tank, including a trailer.

“*Waste*” means human or animal excreta, water, scum, sludge, septage, and grease solids from private sewage disposal.